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H. CON. RES. 239

Recognizing and honoring birthparents who carry out an adoption plan.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

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Mrs. SCHMIDT (for herself, Mr. OBERSTAR, and Ms. GINNY BROWN-WAITE of Florida) submitted the following concurrent resolution; which was referred to the Committee on Education and Labor

CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

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Whereas once a pregnant woman and the man involved in the pregnancy (the birthparents) decide that they are unable to parent a child, carrying out an adoption plan is highly admirable;

Whereas for the birthparents, carrying out an adoption plan can be an expression of great love for the child and can be what it means to be the best parent possible;

Whereas birthparents who decide to carry out an adoption plan come from all walks of life, with various backgrounds and socioeconomic status;

Whereas in 2002 (the most recent year for which such statistics are available), there were 22,291 domestic infant adoptions in the United States;

Whereas birthparents should be recognized, honored, and commended for making a loving decision to carry out an adoption plan; and

Whereas Congress should endeavor to do more to support birthparents who carry out an adoption plan: Now, therefore, be it

1 *Resolved by the House of Representatives (the Senate*
 2 *concurring),* That Congress recognizes and honors
 3 birthparents who carry out an adoption plan.

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